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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 9-17.

REMARKS

Prior to examination of the above referenced application, entry of the above amendment to the claims is requested.

In this application's parent application, United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/222,562, the Examiner rejected claims 9-17. Claims 1, 3-4, 7 and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 4,834,617 issued to Wainauski et al ("Wainauski"). Claims 2, 5, and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wainauski.